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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Gellrich et al.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

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FOR:

MICROLITHOGRAPHIC PROJECTION EXPOSURE

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR INTRODUCING AN IMMERSION LIQUID INTO AN IMMERSION SPACE

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ATTENTION OF: Not yet assigned

EXAMINER: Not yet assigned

Dear Examiner Kim:

Applicant submits the following Reply to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2008, in which a restriction requirement was set forth. Included with this response is a petition for a one-month extension of time to respond and the associated fee. As such, this response is considered to be timely submitted. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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